

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice of disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claims 1, 4 and 8 as follows. Please note the claims are presented below in their amended form. Furthermore, the claims are presented as an attachment to the amendment where the amendments are shown using the conventional technique of bracketing and underlining. Applicants have endeavored to maintain consistency between the marked-up and amended versions of the claims. However, should there be discrepancy, the clean version prevails.

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1. (Amended) A disk-shaped recording medium comprising a primary recording region and a secondary recording region which is located on the side of an internal periphery of said primary recording region,

wherein said primary recording region has a track which wobbles at a first pitch, and along which a user is able to record a data signal; and

wherein said secondary recording region has a track which wobbles at a second pitch different from said first pitch or does not wobble, and along which a signal representative of control information is already prerecorded in the form of information pits at the time of the manufacture of said recording medium, wherein said control information in said secondary recording region includes an invalid key information item for inhibiting, when encrypted main data is copied into said primary recording region, reproduction of said main data.

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4. (Amended) A reproducing apparatus for the reproduction of main data recorded in a primary recording region of a disk-shaped recording medium comprising the primary recording region and a secondary recording region which is located on the side of an internal periphery of said primary recording region,

wherein said primary recording region has a track which wobbles at a first pitch, and along which a user is able to record a data signal; and

wherein said secondary recording region has a track which wobbles at a second pitch different from said first pitch or does not wobble, and along which a signal representative of control information is already prerecorded in the form of

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information pits at the time of the manufacture of said recording medium, wherein said control information in said secondary recording region includes an invalid key information item for inhibiting, when encrypted main data is copied into said primary recording region, reproduction of said main data, said reproducing apparatus comprising:

means for spinning said recording medium at a constant linear velocity;
a pickup for reading a signal from said recording medium under rotation;
means by which a signal read position by said pickup follows said tracks of said recording medium;
means for generating a tracking error signal from an output of said pickup;
means for shifting said pickup in a direction toward an internal periphery of said recording medium until said pickup reaches a specific point of said secondary recording region at which said tracking error signal no longer contains a signal component having a frequency which is determined by said first pitch relating to the wobbling of said track in said primary recording region and said constant linear velocity, wherein when false control information is copied into said primary recording region said false control information is ignored; and
means for starting reproduction of said main data recorded in said primary recording region according to said control information in said secondary recording region represented by an output of said pickup shifted to said point of said secondary recording region.

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8. (Amended) A reproducing apparatus for reproducing, from a disk-shaped recording medium comprising (a) a primary recording region into which a user is able to record a data signal and (b) a secondary recording region which is located on the side of an internal periphery of said primary recording region and into which a signal representative of control information is already prerecorded at the time of the manufacture of said recording medium, main data recorded in said primary recording region, said reproducing apparatus comprising:

a pickup for reading a signal from said recording medium;
means for shifting said pickup in a direction toward an internal periphery of said recording medium until said pickup reaches its shift limit point; and

b means for starting reproduction of said main data recorded in said primary recording region according to said control information in said secondary recording region obtained finally from an output of said pickup during shifting of said pickup, wherein when false control information is copied into said primary recording region said false control information is ignored.
